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FRANCHISE IS VOTED DOWN

City Council Rejects Coos Bay Water Company's New Franchise.

The Marshfield city council by unanimous vote rejected the application of the Coos Bay Water Co., for a new 30-year franchise at increased rates, last night. The matter was brought up by a letter from Manager R. E. Corey which requested the council to take action on the matter. Mr. Corey, J. H. Bennett and Jas. H. Flanagan of the company were present. President Allen of the council, who was in the chair in the absence of Mayor Straw asked Mr. Bennett if he had any remarks to make. Mr. Bennett said that he had little to say beyond that the franchise had been drafted after conferences between the representatives of the company and a committee of city officials with a view of getting together on it. Chairman Cople said that he did not think that it was hardly necessary for the council to vote on it, because the people of Marshfield had expressed their wishes about the water franchise in Tuesday's election. However, he said, he was willing to vote on it. Councilman Ferguson moved that the franchise be rejected. City Attorney Goss said that the proper way would be to have the franchise called up for the second reading and then vote on it. Councilman Savage moved that it be taken up for the second reading. This was done and the councilmen all voted no. President Allen declared the franchise was rejected. Messrs. Bennett, Flanagan and Corey immediately left the council chamber.

EXTEND TIME OF TERMINAL

Company Given Until Last of Next Year to Complete Lines in the City.

The Terminal Railway was last night granted an extension from next April until December 31, 1913 in the time for completing their lines in Marshfield under their franchise. The application to the council was made by W. S. Chandler. Mr. Chandler stated that they had been delayed by three or four different things. One was in getting rails. He said that a shipment of the heavy steel needed for the front street work was now overdue forty days and they did not know just when it would be here. Another cause of delay was the injunction proceedings on North Front street. This, he said, was about adjusted, the company having practically agreed with C. E. Nicholson for the purchase of right of way across his property. Then on South Broadway, the company was waiting for the council to order the hard surface paving between Central and Curtis, so that they would not be put to the expense of constructing the line practically twice. Then another cause of delay was his inability to secure right of way through the C. A. Smith retail yards and the Alliance warehouse for the steam line. Councilman Cople wanted to know if the council could not act on the matter later. He said that as the time would not expire until next April, he thought there was no present necessity of granting the extension of time. Mr. Chandler said that the granting of the extension now was important to them because they would make their plans accordingly and unless it was granted they did not feel like investing several thousand dollars in property. He said that they had also ordered cars for the line. Councilman Ferguson wanted to know if this would be the final request for an extension of time, and Mr. Chandler said that it would. Councilman Allen said that he remembered there was no particular demand for the road now and that the extension would not harm the city.

The December clearance sale at the Ladies' Emporium will continue next week with 15 and 30 per cent off. If you want a wild duck feed this season you will have to hurry. STAFF GROCERY CO. have them. FANCY WORK and cooked food sale at BAPTIST LADIES BAZAAR Lutheran Hall, DEC. 7.

CITY TAX LEVY IS DISCUSSED

Will Be Determined at Next Council Meeting—Reduce Election Bills.

The city council last night took up the question of the tax levy in Marshfield for next year. Final action was postponed until next meeting to enable the finance committee and others to look the matter up. City Recorder Butler said that he thought that by exercising a little care, a ten mill levy, the same as last year, would suffice. He said that if the band was to be paid \$150 per month for the ensuing year, it might take more. City Attorney Goss said that as the assessed valuation had been increased from about \$2,250,000 to about \$2,500,000, a ten mill levy would give \$2,500 more than last year. While it is proposed to buy fire apparatus on which \$2,000 payment will have to be made, the city has finished paying for a steam roller. Final action was deferred until next meeting, Monday December 16, Election Board Pay. The bills from the election board came in last night and there was a difference in them. The North Marshfield officials put in a bill for \$5 a piece, the South Marshfield officials for \$6.50 a piece and the Central Marshfield officials for \$6 a piece, and also a bill for \$3.20 for meals. The bills had been approved when Councilman Cople discovered the difference in them and he said that he thought all the officials should be paid the same as their services had been the same. Finally it was decided to pay each \$6 as they had served on the night and day boards, but not to pay for their meals. City Attorney Goss said that there was no provision in the law for paying for meals for the election officials. The council canvassed the vote in Tuesday's election. The results previously announced were declared correct and Messrs. Winkler and Albrecht were declared duly councilmen and John Butler elected recorder.

Merchant Patrol Quits

Mayor Straw informed the council that R. K. Booth, head of the Merchant Patrol, had informed him that the organization would probably cease soon. The organization was formed a couple of years ago to hire a nightwatchman for the waterfront to act especially as a guard against fires. Recently the city has been contributing \$20 per month towards the salary of the nightwatchman, Chas. Doane. Mr. Booth said that some of the members were dropping their subscriptions. Until it is definitely known what the patrol will do, the council will not take action on it. However, no appropriation was made last night for the December contribution by the city to the salary of the patrolman.

Routine Proceedings

Street Commissioner Lawhorne was given power to act on an offer of Charles Doane to sell 400 yards of dirt to the city for ten cents a yard, the dirt to be dumped in the street between the city park and the Duebner property in North Marshfield. Mr. Doane said that Mr. Duebner was willing to pay for filling his part of the street if the city would pay its share. The dirt is to be taken by Mr. Doane from the upper end of Park avenue, where he is excavating for a house. R. L. Kester, who has opened a roller skating rink on North Front street, used for a time as a prize fight arena by John Herron, asked the council to make the skating rink license of \$60 per year payable quarterly because he said there was only four or six months out of the year that he could run. The council agreed to this. City Engineer Gidley reported that the dumping of garbage along Elrod near Broadway was a nuisance and would cost the city \$100 or so to remove it. The dumping of garbage inside the city limits is prohibited and it was ordered that signs be posted there and that any one violating the regulation in the future be punished.

COOS COUNTY CASE

Oregon Supreme Court Hands Down Decision in Strong Action. (Special to The Times) SALEM, Ore., Dec. 5.—The Oregon Supreme court has handed down a decision in the case of Lewis Strong vs. Coos County, appellant, involving a county road, reversing the decision in the lower court. KILBURN IN DISTRESS. Vessel Gets in Trouble Crossing Out From Eureka. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 5.—Putting out from Eureka, owned by the ship F. A. Kilburn, owned by the North Pacific Coast Steamship Co., North Pacific Coast Steamship Co., signaled for assistance and headed back for port. It was thought she had struck the bar in cross-ming. The Kilburn carried a crew of 25 men and about 40 passengers.

DEBATE OVER SURVEY COST

Copple Kicks on Spending \$1100 on Boulevard Preliminary Work.

Another bill for over \$600 for making the survey for the proposed boulevard, from Marshfield to the sea was presented to the council last night by Fred Gettins, who has charge of the survey under City Engineer Gidley, caused quite a lively debate. This makes a total of over \$1100 the survey has cost so far and it is not completed. Councilman Cople said that he wanted to protest vigorously against the cost of this survey. He said he had protested two weeks ago against the cost and said that he was almost dumfounded to find such a large bill coming in. He wanted to know who authorized it. He said that it was illegal for the council to spend more than \$300 without an ordinance and said that it should have been stopped before. City Engineer Gidley said that he had gone ahead with the work under instruction from the council and that the city could not expect work done for nothing. He said that a good survey was being made. A question about the authorization came up and Mr. Cople said that his recollection was that it was only for a survey through the Reynolds Development Company's tract. City Recorder Butler dug up the minutes of the previous meeting and found that the survey had been ordered through the Reynolds tract and through on to the coast. Mr. Cople said that he did not understand it was to cost any such sum of money and thought that the preliminary survey could be run for a small amount, a hundred dollars or so. He said it was spending a lot of money on just a prospect. Furthermore, he said the city attorney had recommended against the proposition of the Reynolds Development Company and thought that a halt ought to be called. Mr. Gidley said that he had acted simply on the council's resolution and that he had tried to carry out instructions. Councilman Ferguson and Savage said that Mr. Gidley had not gone beyond his instructions. Mr. Ferguson said that they had gone ahead without knowing what the expense was. He said that he guessed the councilmen were a lot of chumps. Mr. Cople said that he guessed Ferguson was right. Mr. Gidley said that he had originally told some of the members that the survey would cost \$1,000. Mr. Cople said that when the bill came in last meeting, he had been told that \$200 more would complete it. He refused to O. K. the bill but the other members of the finance committee did and it was paid. Besides the labor bills, some bills for provisions and tents for the Gettins survey came in. There was also a bill from Robert Kruger Jr., who wanted half pay, \$15, for twelve days wanted half pay, as a result of an injury to his foot, while working on the survey. He said Mr. Gettins had told him that he was entitled to something. Mr. Gidley would not recommend the payment of the claim. In fact he asked that the bill be laid over and a physician's certificate secured to show that Kruger had been laid up ten days.

TRY TO STIR UP MEXICAN ROW

Sensational Revelations Contained in Senate Committee Report on Revolutions and American Aid.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—President Taft's attention may be called directly to the conditions which Senator William Alden Smith's subcommittee found along the Mexican border in its investigation to learn if American capital has been used to ferment revolutions. The report of the commission is soon to be published and submitted to the senate with certain testimony, virtually charging that President Madero was favored from this side of the boundary line when he led the revolution against Diaz, and that friendly acts to him have continued during the revolution against the government. The findings of the committee cannot be indicated at this time. Some of the testimony in the committee's report, which will be ready in January, is to the effect that the inhibition against the shipment of arms and ammunition in to Mexico as being in Madero's interest.

PEACE PACT IS TO BE SIGNED

Armistice Between Turkey and Greece Will Be Signed in a Day or Two.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) LONDON, Dec. 5.—The armistice between Greece and Turkey is to be concluded in a day or two, according to a news agency dispatch from Constantinople. Ismail Keal Bey, leader of the Albanians, has a statement from Avolona protesting against the bombardment of that town by two Greek gunboats, according to a dispatch from the Austrian capital.

RELIEF FOR ALBANIA

New Plan of Home Government Proposed by Turks

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 5.—The Turkish council of ministers has prepared a scheme of government for Albania, which has been submitted to the Sultan for imperial assent.

AUSTRIA JOINS IN

Approves Plans for Balkan Conference in London

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) BUDA PEST, Hungary, Dec. 5.—The Austrian-Hungarian government has communicated to the British government its adhesion in principle to the proposed conference of ambassadors of the great European powers on the Balkan situation to be held in London.

POWERS UNITE FOR ACTION

France Declares She Will Stand by England and Russia.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) PARIS, Dec. 5.—France spoke plainly today on the European situation, when Premier Poincare told the committee on foreign affairs of the Chamber of Deputies: "We stand by our allies and our friendships." The premier was laying down the policy to be pursued by France in the Balkan settlement. France's allies are the other members of the triple entente, Great Britain and Russia.

BIG SLUMP IN STOCK MARKET

HEAVY SELLING ON NEW YORK EXCHANGE CAUSES DOWNWARD SHOOT IN THE LEADERS TODAY.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—Heavy selling of stocks set in at midday, sending general average of the Pacific to the lowest levels in some months and in some instances to the lowest of the year. The tone of the market was more feverish than at any time since last Monday when the United States supreme court decision in the Harriman merger case awakened the market from a long apathy. The decision developed a general feeling of pessimism in financial circles. Today the weakness affected United States Steel, which sold under 70, on extensive offerings, and Harriman shares also showed weakness. In order to get BLUE STEM FLOUR into every home I will on SATURDAY SELL FOR \$1 PER SACK, CASH. A. T. HAINES.

JACK JOHNSON MARRIES GIRL

Negro Pugilist and White Girl, Lucile Cameron, Are Married in Chicago.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.) CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 5.—Jack Johnson, the negro pugilist, was married here to Lucile Cameron, the nineteen-year-old white girl of Minneapolis. The ceremony was performed at the home of Johnson's mother by a negro preacher.

HARBOR WORK IS TAKEN UP

Chamber of Commerce to Meet Friday Night to Consider Delegation.

A meeting will be held at the Marshfield Chamber of Commerce Friday night at 7 o'clock to discuss sending a delegation to Washington to endeavor to secure federal aid in starting Coos Bay harbor and bar improvements and to especially urge the jetty construction. President Greene has made the matter up with Senator Bourne, Congressman Hawley and the engineers and will probably report on it then. Capt. Macgenn of the Breakwater, who has been urging action in the matter, stated today that Coos Bay had the greatest opportunity it ever had to secure federal aid. He said that it was imperative that a strong delegation be sent to Washington at once. He declared the delegation should be there now. He said that although the new survey was being done, it would not reach Washington in time to do any good at this session of Congress, unless it was strongly urged and the government officials there made to call for the report on the new survey. Unless the report is called for from Washington, it will not be sent from either here or Portland for some little time. Capt. Macgenn declared today that if it was necessary he would mortgage his property to raise funds to go to Washington and urge the cause of Coos Bay. He said that the securing of the survey in the fall or winter, when the bar was at its worst, was a great thing and should be placed before the Rivers and Harbors committee. On the last trip out, when W. G. Carroll, a government engineer accompanied him, he made some special soundings. Mr. Carroll assisted. He took three courses, one five hundred feet from the black buoy, one 250 feet from it and one about 100 feet from it and the depth secured was about 16 feet. These soundings have been confirmed by those of Engineer Charlton in the special survey. Capt. Macgenn says that he has it from the best authority that the thing to do is to go right to Washington and make the fight in behalf of Coos Bay. Capt. Macgenn has taken the matter up with Henry Sengstacken and A. H. Powers of the Port Commission, President Greene of the Chamber of Commerce and others. It is understood that \$80,000 appropriation for Coos Bay, which General Bixby recommended in the Rivers and Harbors report, is for the maintenance of the new bar dredge, which is to be brought here next summer. Donald M. Charlton, who has charge of the new survey of the harbor and bar is rushing the bar work as rapidly as possible and has practically completed his soundings. He is now compiling the report and it will, it is understood, confirm the reports of Capt. Macgenn. He found the shoal, which the latter reported, and found only about sixteen or eighteen feet of water there. The shoal is at a very dangerous point. Mr. Charlton made the most of the good weather in making his soundings and was very successful in the launch Tramp, which he secured for the work. The rapidly with which he is handling the work is more than gratifying to those who have been anxious to have the survey completed in time to get it before the present session of congress.

TIDELAND CASE IS APPEALED

Noted Suit Involving Control of Property Along Lincoln County Shore Goes Up.

SALEM, Dec. 5.—The supreme court allowed a writ of error in the case of the Corvallis & Eastern Railroad Co. vs. the State, and it will now go to the supreme court of the United States for adjudication as soon as Attorney General Crawford can forward to that tribunal the necessary papers. The suit is brought by the company to restrain the state from selling tide lands, valued at millions, it claiming them under an old grant. The state will raise the question in the Federal court, that the act granting the lands was in contravention of the bill admitting Oregon as a state. In this bill it was provided that all waters of the state should be public highways and free to the people forever. The tidelands are located along the coast of Lincoln county and the ownership gives the company practically a monopoly there in the transportation business on both land and sea.

RIVERS AND HARBOR BILL

The Oregon and Washington river and harbor appropriations recommended in the river and harbor bill before congress are: Coos Bay Harbor, \$80,000; Tillamook Bay and Bar, \$307,000; Nehalem Bay, \$100,000; Willamette and Yamhill rivers above Portland, \$42,000; Siuslaw River, \$85,000. Washington—Puget Sound, \$25,000; Grays Harbor and Chahala River, \$30,000; Skagit River, \$25,000; Waterway connecting Puget Sound with Lakes Union and Washington, \$1,005,000; Willapa River and Harbor, \$43,132. Columbia River—Mouth, \$1,000,000; at Cascades, \$100,000; at Three Mile Rapids, \$600,000; at Upper Columbia and Snake Rivers, \$480,000; between Bridgeport and Kettle Falls, \$25,000; Columbia and Lower Willamette below Portland, \$280,000.

MANY ARRIVE ON BREAKWATER

Steamer in From Portland Early This Morning After Choppy Trip.

The Breakwater arrived in this morning from Portland after a rather choppy trip. Most of the passengers got a decided touch of seasickness. The Breakwater had a good cargo of freight and about 125 passengers. She will sail at 8 o'clock Saturday morning for Portland. Among those arriving on her were the following: Mr. Irwin, Mrs. Irwin, M. Irwin, Mr. Cuyles, Miss Russell, W. H. Treglow, W. Greenburg, L. Greenburg, Mrs. A. Greenburg, J. D. Greenburg, Mrs. A. Seest, J. H. Stretch, Mrs. Stretch, Geo. Ebricht, Mr. Wallace, Mrs. Wallace, F. S. Mitchell, Mrs. J. Crawford, Miss C. Crawford, Vera Peters, L. C. Laurson, A. P. Wallace, Mrs. A. J. Quate, D. Elmore, C. Riley, C. Augustine, E. H. Ziska, C. W. Irwin, O. Erickson, D. N. Rosenfeld, J. H. Miles, Mrs. Miles, Merle Miles, F. L. Jones, E. Chilberg, T. Tantis, H. Clausen, W. B. Davenport, M. E. Mitchell, F. B. Burgess, Mrs. Bayles, Mrs. D. R. Dennis, D. R. Dennis, A. B. Chair, M. B. Donahay, A. J. Fergar, Geo. James, F. E. Dempsey, Wm. Alfred, C. Hess, H. H. Bean, C. E. Irwin, Mrs. C. E. Irwin, E. W. Maddon, H. S. Dorr, E. Bayles, E. Morgan, T. O'Hara, Chas. McNair, Mrs. J. A. Hagadorn, H. M. Jones, Lee Wall, A. H. Case, C. F. Mills, C. F. McNulty, I. R. Tower, W. C. Fensler, F. Gunn, C. F. Thompson, W. J. Hatfield, Wm. Clift, Mrs. C. F. Ellerbeck, Mrs. R. A. Annin, W. H. Noble, Aug. Gor, Emma Cox. Capt. Macgenn reports the Columbia bar was very rough yesterday when he crossed out. A half dozen or so steamers were barbound there, the Breakwater being the only one to cross out.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE NOTICE

The regular monthly meeting of the Marshfield Chamber of Commerce will be held Friday evening at 7 o'clock. All are urged to be present, as important harbor matters are to be taken up. D. C. GREEN, President.

WILD DUCKS—all kinds. Eleven more days in which to buy them. STAFF GROCERY CO. has them.

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